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A short Account of the most considerable News, Foreign and Domestick.

Edinburgh, Thursday May 10, 1722.

From the Evening Post, May 5th.

Since our last arrived one Mail from Holland, and another from France

Florence, April 20.

ONE Day last Week an Express arrived from Paris, with weighty Dispatches to this Court: Our Troops are going to be reviewed; and there is a Talk of sending 2 Gallies towards Port Feraio.

Dantzick, April 28. Some of the Nobility of Poland are so alarmed at the Motions of the Russians near the Frontiers of that Kingdom, That as soon as the Czar arrives at Petersburg, they will send Deputies to his Majesty about it. Mean while Prince Repinen, Governour of Riga assures them they have no Occasion to be uneasy on that Account, because the Czar's Preparations are designed against another Country. Whatever his Views may be its certain there are above 100000 Russians posted in such Manner, that upon the first Warning they can be drawn together into a Body, and March.

Vienna, April 29. Here is Advice from Hermanstad in Transilvania, That Count Virmond Commander in chief in that Principality, died there on the 21st Instant: He was a Counsellor of State and War, General of the Artillery, Colonel of a Regiment of Foot, had been Ambassador at divers Courts, and as such gained much Applause and Reputation, particularly at Passarowitz and Constantinople. Count Zinzendorf, another Counsellor of State of his Imperial Majesty's, died also last Sunday. We hear the States of Transilvania have given their Consent to the Settlement of the Succession in the Feminin Line of the House of Austria, in case the Emperor die without issue.

Paris, May 4. 'Tis talked that the Marquis de Lede is arrived here, and has it in Commission to concert Measures with this Court relating to the Affairs of Italy.

London, May 5. This Day his Majesty in Council ordered Writs to be issued, for Proroguing the Parliament to the 5th of June, and the Houses of Convocation, to the 9th of said Month.

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From the London Gazette, May 1st.

Cambray, May 4. N. S. The Chevalier de Laval, sent by the great Master of the Order of the Knights of Malta, to reside here during the Congress, arrived the 26th past. Some of the Lord Whitworth's Servants are come hither, in order to make the necessary Preparations against his Excellency's Arrival. The first of this Month being St. Philip's Day, the Count de St. Estevan, first Ambassador of the King of Spain, invited all the Ambassadors and their Gentlemen to Dinner, there were three Tables, one of 25 Covers, one of 20, and one of 6: The Entertainment was very Magnificent. After Dinner, all the Gentlemen and Ladies of Distinction of the Town, came to compliment the Count on the Day, and at Night there was a Ball: His Garden and the fore Court of his House were finely illuminated.

From the Evening Post, May 1st.

Copenhagen, May 2. Men have been hard at Work all this Week in putting on Board our Squadron of Men of War in this Road, Provisions and Ammunition for Four Months, and as the Officers and Sailors are already on Board, the said Squadron is now ready for Sailing upon the first Order.

London, May 1. This Day the Scrutineers at Guildhall finished their Examination of the Livery Companies of this City, in noting the Names of those who polled at the late Election, but did not appear to be in the List of the Clerk's of the Companies, those who had polled twice, &c. The Sheriff adjourned the further Proceedings to Friday Morning next, when they will begin to allow the Votes of those who have a Right to poll, and disallow the Contrary. The Number of those objected to this Day, on both Sides, was as follows.

Parsons	35.	Heysham	41.
Child	38.	Godfrey	41.
Lockwood	32.	Bernard	41.
	105.		123.

From the Flying Post, May 1st.

Constantinople, March 20. The Divan are consulting whether it is not practicable to bring all the Persian Trade into Turky, and to oblige the European Merchants to come hither for their Merchandise, and it appearing that the same is very easy to be done, there's no doubt but the Grand Seignior will approve of the Project, and the rather because the Minister of a foreign Power solicits him very hard to make it effectual, and because the present Juncture is as happy as could be wished for the Success of such an Undertaking. The Ottoman Porte having determined their Disputes with the Sophi of Persia. But 'tis expected that the Czar will oppose it, it being said, that he himself has resolved to conclude a Trea-

ty of Commerce with the Court of Persia, for the Transportation of Eastern Merchandise to Muscow. 'Tis reported that the Sultan's eldest Son will shortly make a Tour to several Courts of Europe, to perfect himself in the Sciences.

From the Evening Post, May 3d.

Westminster, April 3d, 1721.

THE Order was Read for taking into Consideration the Protestations entered on the Journals of this House, the 19th and 20th Days of February last.

And the several Reasons in the Protestation entered the 19th of February last, against putting off the further Consideration of the Causes of contracting so large a Navy-debt, for three Weeks being read.

It was proposed, That from the Word (Specified) in the 10th Line of the 4th Reason, to the End of the said Protestation, be expunged.

And it being mov'd to adjourn, the Question was put, whether this House should be now adjourn'd till Monday Morning next.

It was resolved in the Negative.

Then the Question was put, whether all that is contain'd in the said Protestation after the Word (Specified) in the 10th Line of the 4th Reason, shall be expunged?

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Dissentient.

Because when we were giving Reasons against putting off the further Consideration of the Causes of contracting the Navy-debt, by long Adjournments, probably for the whole Session, as we thought no Reason could be more proper, than that the Subject Matter of that Enquiry was not exhausted, but that very material Business remained to be considered on that Head, so we did, and do yet conceive, that the following that general Assertion, with an Enumeration of the particular Matters, which yet did remain to be enquired into, as well such as arose from Papers already before the House, as others, which we are well assured would arise in the further Progress of the Business from Papers designed to be called for: I did make the said general Argument, which stands expunged, more strong, as well as more fair and candid, by shewing it was well founded on Particulars: And altho' the House has not thought fit to Print the said Enumeration of Particulars, to stand on the Journal, yet we conceive, we have attain'd this Advantage by having entred them, that it cannot be objected to us now, that we generally affirm'd more Business of Consequence remained for that Committee to do, without being able to Instance or Specify what in Particular.

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From the Whitehall Evening Post, May 3d.

Florence, April 20. An Express from Pietrasanta, has brought News, that 30 German Soldiers, commanded by a Subaltern Officer, have forcibly taken Possession of the Marquisate of Trechiesto, upon a specious Pre-

Pretence. This News perplexes the Great Duke who lays Claim to that Tract of Land.

Milan, April 18. Laſt Monday Count Colloredo our Governour, laid the firſt Stone of another Half-moon in the Caſtle, which will be made impregnable. All the Knights of Malta who are here, are ready to depart upon the ſecond Summons of the Great Maſter of that Order. Preparations are continued here againſt the Deſigns of the Spaniards in Italy.

Naples, April 14. Laſt Night the Electoral Prince of Bavaria arrived here incognito. A certain Perſon ſuſpected of Diſloyalty being baniſhed hence, and forbid to return on pain of Death, had the Confidence to appear again; but being purſued, he took Sanctuary in a Church, where he was ſoon after kill'd: 'Tis thought by an Expreſs Order from Court.

From the St. James's Evening Poſt, May 5th, 1722.

Liſbon, May 12. The Night before the Brazil Fleet ſailed hence, 19 Perſons were taken up in this City, accuſed of having defrauded the King of his Cuſtoms; they are ſent on board a Ship bound for Goa, where they are to remain in Exile during Life. This Government will ſhortly publiſh a ſtrict Ordinance againſt ſuch as ſhall be convicted of defrauding in the Cuſtoms. Several Britiſh Ships are taking in Salt at St. Ubes, for the Ports of the Baltic.

Rome, April 18. 'Tis reported that Cardinal Alberoni's Affair has been finally decided in a full Congregation of Cardinals; but the Deciſion is not as yet made publick.

Warſaw, April 15. The Baſſa of Choczin ſtill aſſures, that the Grand Seignior is determined inviolably to keep the Peace of Paſſarowitz.

Oldenſee, May 3. On the 30 of laſt Month, an Eighty Gun Muſcovite Ship coming from Holland, paſſed the Sound without Anchoring, and proceeded on her Voyage towards Petersburgh.

Hamburg, May 5. Advices from Stockholm ſay, The King of Sweden was expected ſhortly at Carleſcron, to view the Fleet which is getting ready there. Several Frigates are likewiſe fitting out at Gottenburg.

Hanover, May 5. Count Welling, Plenipotentiary of the King of Sweden, arrived here ſome Days ago, and immediatly received the Viſits of all the Miniſters of State. Laſt Monday, by Order of Prince Frederick, the ſaid Plenipotentiary was diverted with a French Comedy, and next Day he returned to Bremen. Two Days ago, the two Batallions of Foot Guards were reviewed by his Highneſs the Prince.

Hague, May 12. 'Tis ſaid that the Squadron which is to be ſent againſt the Algerines, is to be reinforced by ſome other Ships, and will winter in the Ports of Spain.

Paris, May 9. The King's Inauguration will not be ſolemnized this Year, for certain Reaſons of State. An ancient Rent Tax of 20 *per Cent.* formerly paid by the Clergy, will be renewed.

London, May 5. Yeſterday Morning about Four a-clock, Sir Thomas Bury, Knight, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, died of the Palſie, at his Houſe in Serjeants Inn, Chancery Lane.

Captain Taylor, a Holland Trader, is ſailed for Holland, with 20 very fine Horſes of his Majeſty's, to be ready againſt his Landing there in his Way to Hanover.

Yeſterday at Guildhall, Mr. Alderman Child made good 15 more Votes objected on his Side, than Alderman Heyſham did.

Yeſterday Mr. Bolton, a Sword-cutler on Ludgate Hill, was taken into Cuſtody of Meſſengers, as were alſo the ſame Day many others of the ſame Buſineſs.

'Tis ſaid the Dukes of Bridgwater and Chandois are to have the two vacant Garters, and that there will be great Alterations among the Civil and Military Officers; particularly, that Mr. Methwen is to be one of the Principal Secretaries of State.

Wye's

Wye's Letter, verbatim, May 5th, 1722.

LEtters from Paris of the 9 Instant say, That the King's Coronation, for certain Reasons of State, is deferred to the next Year, after his Majesty is of Age. They add, that the Marquis de Lede, Commander in Chief of all the Spanish Troops, arrived there on the 6th Instant with a very important Commission, from whence it is conjectured, that the Cambray Congress will meet with further Delays; and some very much Question, whether it will be ever opened. However it is certain, that the Spaniards continue their Armaments by Sea and Land. And some Advices intimate, That the Pope as well as the Dukes of Tuscany and Parma, will espouse the Interest of his Catholick Majesty, and that a certain Prince has remitted a very considerable Sum of Money to the *Chevalier de St. George*. 'Tis reported at Vienna, as tho' Prince Eugene will suddenly take a Tour to Italy.

Touching the Affairs of the North, we are advised by the Holland Mail which arrived Yesterday, That the Czar, who has an Army of above 100000 Men near Courland and Riga, will attempt to penetrate into Germany, to get Footing there, which will occasion great Effusion of Blood. The King of Prussia is frequently reviewing his Troops, and has ordered all his German Officers to be in a Readiness to march, as soon as the Regiments are reviewed. Mean-time it is advised, that the Kings of Great Britain and Denmark will have an Interview near the Elbe, and that Endeavours will be used to dissuade his Prussian Majesty from entering into any Engagement with the Muscovite Court.

Hague, May 14. The Council of State has appointed 6 Persons to to visit the fortified Places along the Meuse; and those of Flanders and Westwoolding Land. They write from Frankfort, That the French are making such Preparations in Alsace, as if a new War was ready to break out.

Yesterday Morning Sir Tho. Bury, Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer, died of the Palsie, his Lordship the Day before sat upon the Bench, and tried Causes, amongst which, was one between Mr. Delander a Clock Maker in Fleet Street Plaintiff, and the Duke of Chandois Defendant, the former demanding the Sum of 275l. for Work done for his Grace, of which the Court gave him 215l. 'Tis thought he will be succeeded by Baron Montague or Baron Page.

The Book mentioned in our Last, entituled, *An humble Application to the approaching Parliament, for the Regulation of the dangerous Experiment of Innoculating the Small Pox*, is now published: Wherein the Author argues, That this new invented Anticipation is utterly unlawful, an audacious Presumption, and a Thing forbid in Scripture, in that express Command, *Thou shalt not tempt the Lord thy God*. In the mean time the two young Princesses, who have undergone the said Operation, are in a fair Way of Recovery.

'Tis assured that the King, to the great Comfort of Trading People, has deferred his Departure, as we lately hinted, till after his Birthday. The Yatchts that are to carry over the King, are the Carolina, which is to carry his Majesty, the William and Mary, and the Charlotte; the former of these is to carry the Dutchess of Kendal, and the latter, the Countess of Kilmansleck: The Mary, Fubs and the Catharine, carry the Ministers of State, &c.

Yesterday 7000 Ounces of Foreign Silver, and 250 of Gold, were entred at the Custom-house, to be exported to Holland, It must amount to an immense Sum that has been within this Year exported out of this Nation; But we may hope that the major Part thereof will return to us one Time or other, in case it was sent on account of Trade.

Yesterday two Persons were taken into Custody, for Printing Mr. Boyer's Political State, 'tis said, on account of some Reflections on the Swedes, for which Mr. Boyer is soon to undergo a Prosecution. The same Day Mr. Bolton, a Sword-cutler, and several others of this City, were seized by Messengers, who found a great Number of Basket hilted and other Swords, with these Words engraven on them, *For* JAMES *and my Country's Good.*

The Reverend Dr. Allestine is chosen Proctor for the Chapter of St. Paul's in the Convocation. And Sir James Montague is appointed Lord Chief Baron of the Exchequer.

A Quaker in Ireland is condemned there for enlisting Men for Foreigners. An Express is just now arrived from France, to the Secretaries of State, but the Contents are not known. 'Tis said the Earl of Sunderland has left to his Lady and Children 90000 l. in Specie and Bankbills.

Edinburgh, May 10. Yesterday died the Right Honourable the Earl of Rothes, at his Seat in Fife.

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Edinburgh, May 10. To-day the General Assembly of the Kirk of Scotland sat down: Wherein His Majesty is represented by the Rt. Honourable the Earl of Loudon; and the very Reverend Mr. Mitchel, One of the Ministers of this City, was chosen Moderator.

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THAT Robert Craig, a tall Man, full Five Foot and a Half high, with his own black Hair, of a swarthy Countenance, upwards of 40 Years, says he was born in the Parish of Fittereairn, was a Pack-man from 15 Years of Age, till he was 28, accused of Theft before the Justices of Peace of the Shire of Haddingtoun, at their Quarter-sessions, the first Tuesday of May instant: Any Person who can give any Information about the said Craig, are desired to give in the same to the Author of this Paper, or to send the same to George Fall, Clerk of the Peace of the said Shire, directed to the Care of the Post-master of Haddingtoun.

THat *at* Portpatrick *in the Shire of* Galloway, *there is a convenient new publick House, at the Sign of King* George's *Head; where is good Entertainment for Men and Horse, going or coming from* Ireland. *Enquire at* Adam Barclay, *Turner in the Back Stairs in the* Parliament *Closs*, Edinburgh, *or at the said House at* Portpatrick.

A Plate of Twenty five Guineas Value, to be run for at Lochmaben *in* Annandale, *on the Thirtieth Day of* May *Instant; by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, carrying Eight Stone* Scots *Weight, Saddle and Bridle included.*

The Articles.

THAT the Horses that run for this Plate shall run three Heats, once round the Course every Heat, and that half an Hour is allowed for rubbing between the Heats.

That all the Riders after every Heat, do come directly to the Weighing Post and there Dismount, take off his own Saddle and Bridle, carry it with him to the Scales, and there to be weighed; half a Pound being allowed to each Rider for Waste.

That if any one Horse wins two Heats, if challenged to run, saves his Distance the third, he wins the Plate.

That if three Horses win every one a Heat, they must run a fourth Heat.

That no Crossing or Jostling is allowed. That the winning Horse or Mare, if he be fourteen Hands High or above, is to be sold for Fifty Pound Sterling, if required, and if more than one bid, he is to be Raffled for.

The Horses to start between Twelve and Two in the Afternoon.

That all Differences that shall arise, to be determined by the Provost, or one whom he shall appoint.

The next Day being the Thirty first Instant, will be run for a Pair of Silver Spurs of Three Guineas Value; by any Horse, Mare or Gelding, belonging to Gentlemen or others of the Stewartrie of *Annandale*; every other way subjected to the foregoing Articles, but that the winning Horse must be sold for Twelve Guineas.

IN Pursuance of an Order by the Arbiters, in the Submission betwixt *Forbes* of *Ballogie* and his Creditors. These are intimating to the saids Creditors, to give in their Claims and Grounds of Debt due to them by the said *Ballogie*, To *William Forbes* Writer to the Signet, and Clerk to the said Submission, at his Writing Chamber in the Parliament Closs, or to *Alexander Tytler* Writer in *Edinburgh*, betwixt and the 20th Day of *May* Inst. with Certification, that the Arbiters will proceed to determine on such Claims as shall be the produced.